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#16 – GOOD GLAZING SERIES—RESOURCES

The next few Tech Tips cover good glazing practices. These tips aren't meant to be "all inclusive," but to highlight the most important issues in glazing.

These are the two authoritative industry glazing publications:

- "North American Glazing Guidelines for Sealed Industry Glass Units for Commercial and Residential Use" available from the Insulating Glass Manufacturers Alliance (IGMA) at www.igmaonline.org for \$45.00.
- "Glazing Manual" available from the Glass Association of North America (GANA) at www.glasswebsite.com for \$70.00. A brand new revision of this manual will be available after November 2008.

Since insulating glass manufacturers' warranties require following instructions in these manuals, glaziers should have and be familiar with at least one of them. The IGMA document focuses on glazing insulating glass only, while the GANA manual covers glazing and many more topics.

GANA also publishes the "Fully Tempered Heavy Glass and Entrance Design Guide," the "Sealant Manual," "Laminated Glazing Reference Manual," and "Project Managers Reference Manual."

The National Glass Association publishes the "Glass Installer Reference Manual," "The Mirror Manual," and the "Sealant Manual" that are excellent "hands-on" training and reference materials.

The glass manufacturers provide free summary resources. For example, Pilkington's "General Glazing Guidelines" is available for download from our website by clicking on the "Technical Documents" tab, and scrolling to the "Technical Literature" section.

The aluminum framing system manufacturers also provide good resources. Each of Tubelite's glazing systems has installation instruction documents, all available in the Architectural Aluminum, Technical Documents section of our website or by request.